

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 17.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on the U.S. Trade Representative and the SEC. Testimony was heard from Charlene Barshefsky, U.S. Trade Representative Designee; and Arthur Levitt, Jr., Chairman, SEC.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 17 through 22, 1997

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of S.J. Res. 22, relating to the appointment of an independent counsel.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of S.J. Res. 18, proposed Constitutional amendment allowing Congress and the States to regulate contributions and expenditures in elections, with a vote to occur thereon, following which Senate will resume consideration of S.J. Res. 22, relating to the appointment of an independent counsel.

During the balance of the week Senate may consider any cleared executive and legislative business, including the nomination of Merrick B. Garland to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, March 18, 1997 from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: March 18 and 20, to resume hearings on proposed legislation

authorizing funds for agricultural research, 9 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations: March 18, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

March 18 and 20, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998, Tuesday, for energy research programs of the Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m.; Thursday, for atomic energy defense activities of the Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m.; SD-124.

March 18, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SD-138.

March 19, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold closed hearings to review proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the intelligence community, 10 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

March 19 and 20, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998, Wednesday, for the Securities and Exchange Commission, 2 p.m.; Thursday, for the United Nations, 2 p.m.; S-146, Capitol.

March 20, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Education, 10 a.m., SD-192.

March 20, Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SD-192.

March 20, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for international narcotics, crime and law enforcement, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: March 18, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the unified commands military strategies and operational requirements, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 19, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to resume hearings in open and closed session on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Department of Energy weapons programs, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

March 19, Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology, to hold hearings to review the status of acquisition reform in the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SR-418.

March 19, Subcommittee on Seapower, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal

year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, 2 p.m., SR-222.

March 19, Subcommittee on Readiness, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on military readiness accounts, 2 p.m., SR-232A.

March 20, Full Committee, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Department of Energy national security programs and to review environmental management activities, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: March 18, business meeting, to mark up S. 318, to require automatic cancellation and notice of cancellation rights with respect to private mortgage insurance which is required by a creditor as a condition for entering into a residential mortgage transaction, and to consider the nominations of Yolanda Townsend Wheat, of Missouri, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, Jeffrey A. Frankel, of California, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, Charles A. Gueli, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences, and Susan R. Baron, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Corporation for Housing Partnerships, 3 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: March 19, to hold a meeting to discuss various budget proposals for fiscal year 1998, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 18, Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the United States Coast Guard, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

March 19, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Communications Commission implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, focusing on efforts to implement universal telephone service reform and FCC proposals to assess new per-minute fees on Internet service providers, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

March 19, Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 377, to promote electronic commerce by facilitating the use of strong encryption, 2 p.m., SR-253.

March 20, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine, to hold hearings on S. 414, to amend the Shipping Act of 1984 to encourage competition in international shipping and growth of United States imports and exports, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 20, to resume hearings to examine issues with regard to competitive change in the electric power industry, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

March 20, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to resume hearings to examine the future of the National Park System and to identify and discuss the needs, requirements, and innovative programs that will insure the Park Service will continue

to meet its responsibilities well into the next century, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 18, to hold hearings on proposals to authorize state and local governments to enact flow control laws and to regulate the interstate transportation of solid waste, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

March 19, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act, focusing on environmental programs and statewide and metropolitan planning, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: March 19 and 20, to hold hearings on improving Medicare choices, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 18, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings on issues facing China in the post Deng era, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: March 20, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management and The District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the role of the Department of Commerce in United States trade policy, promotion and regulation, and opportunities for reform and consolidation, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 18, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

March 19, Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold hearings to examine Internet crimes affecting consumers, 9 a.m., SD-226.

March 19, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine efforts by private individuals, community organizations, and religious groups to prevent juvenile crime, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: March 18, to resume mark up of S. 4, to provide private sector employees the same opportunities for time-and-a-half compensatory time off, biweekly work programs, and flexible credit hour programs to help balance the needs of work and family, and to clarify the provisions relating to exemptions of certain professionals from the minimum wage and overtime requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, and to consider pending nominations, 9 a.m., SD-430.

March 18, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Alexis M. Herman, of Alabama, to be Secretary of Labor, 2 p.m., SD-430.

March 19, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine proposals to reform the operation of the Food and Drug Administration, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

March 20, Full Committee, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Higher Education Act, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration: March 20, to hold oversight hearings to review the operations and budget of the Congressional Research Service and the Library of Congress, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: March 19, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the legislative recommendations of the Disabled American Veterans, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

March 20, Full Committee, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the legislative recommendations of AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Veterans of World War I, and the Vietnam Veterans of America, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Select Committee on Intelligence: March 18, to resume hearings on the nomination of Anthony Lake, of Massachusetts, to be Director of Central Intelligence, 10 a.m., SH-216.

House Chamber

Monday, No legislative business.

Tuesday, Consideration of 5 suspensions:

1. H.R. 924, Victim Allocation Clarification Act of 1997;

2. H.R. 927, U.S. Marshals Improvement Act;

3. H.R. 672, Technical Amendments to Copyright Act;

4. H.R. 908, Establishing a Commission on Structural Alternatives for the Federal Courts of Appeals;

5. H.R. 514, District of Columbia Inspector General Improvement Act of 1997; and

Consideration of H.R. 412, Oroville-Tonasket Claim Settlement Act (open rule, 1 hour of debate).

NOTE—No votes are expected on Tuesday before 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday, Consideration of H.R. 1, Working Families Flexibility Act of 1997 (subject to a rule);

Consideration of H.R. 929, Partial Birth Abortion Ban (subject to a rule); and

Consideration of H. Res. 91, Providing Amounts for the Expenses of Certain Committees of the House of Representatives (subject to a rule).

Friday, The House will not be in session.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, March 18, hearing to review Agriculture Trade into the 21st century, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

March 19, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing to review treatment of minority and limited resource producers by the United States Department of Agriculture, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, March 18, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Federal Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on Departmental Administration; Office of the Chief financial Officer, 1 p.m., and on Congressional and public witnesses, 4 p.m., 236A Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on Department of Commerce; International Trade Administration/International Trade Commission, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

March 18, Subcommittee on Interior, on Geological Survey, 1 p.m., and on Secretary of Energy, 2 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on National Institute of Mental Health and National Institute of Aging, 10 a.m., and on National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke and on National Institute of General Medical Sciences, 1:30 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Transportation, on Federal Aviation Administration, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on National Archives, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

March 18, 19 and 20, Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on Department of Housing and Urban Development, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn on March 18 and 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., H-143 Capitol on March 19 and 20.

March 19, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Federal Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Congressional witnesses, 10 a.m., and on Natural Resources Conservation Service, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on Drug Enforcement, 10 a.m., room to be announced, and on International Organizations and Peacekeeping, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Secretary of Energy, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs, on AID Administrator, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Interior, on Smithsonian Institute, 10 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Railroad Retirement Board; U.S. Institute of Peace, 10 a.m., and on Corporation for Public Broadcasting; and National Labor Relations Board, 1:30 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on National Security, on Military Quality of Life, 10 a.m., and on Department of Defense Medical Programs, 1:30 p.m., H-160 Capitol.

March 19, Subcommittee on Transportation, on Federal Transit Administration; Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on Office of National Drug Control Policy, 2 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Federal Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Congressional and public witnesses, 10:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on Department of Commerce, Science and Technology Programs, 10 a.m., and on Department of State's Administration of Foreign Affairs, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

March 20, Subcommittee on Interior, on Secretary of Agriculture, 10 a.m., and on Forest Service Chief, 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Office of AIDS

Research; Office of the Director; and Building and Facilities, 10 a.m., and on National Commission on Libraries; National Council on Disability; Physician Payment Review Commission; and on Prospective Payment Assessment Commission, 1:30 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on National Security, executive, on readiness, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 20, Subcommittee on Transportation, on Federal Railroad Administration, National Railroad Passenger Corporation, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on GSA, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, March 18, hearing and markup of H.R. 607, Homeowners Insurance Protection Act, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises, to continue hearings on Financial Services Modernization, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on General Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Regulatory efforts by the Financial Crimes Enforcement ("FinCEN"), 10 a.m., 2222 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, hearing on International Monetary Fund, 11 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, March 18, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on reauthorization of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Act (SAMSHA), 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Medicare Provider Service Networks, 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on WTO Telecom Agreement: Results and Next Steps, 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing and mark up of H.R. 688, Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Amendments Act of 1997, 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, March 18, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on mandatory union dues, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, March 18, Subcommittee on Human Resources, to continue oversight hearings on the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Veterans' Affairs: Mission, Management, and Performance, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on the Postal Service, oversight hearing of the United States Postal Service: Inspector General U.S. Postal Service Governors of the U.S. Postal Service, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Civil Service, hearing on Unfunded Liability in the DC Retirement System: Does It Really Matter? 10:30 a.m., 311 Cannon.

March 20, Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations to continue oversight hearings on the Department of Education: Mission, Management, and Performance, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice, hearing on Improving Defense Inventory Management, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Oversight, March 19, oversight hearing on Office of Compliance, 3 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, March 18, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing to review the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, Authorize, Privatize, Reform, or Terminate? 2:30 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on Foreign Relations Authorization for FY 1998-99: International Organizations and Conferences, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on Interfering with U.S. National Security Interests: The World Trade Organization and the European Union Challenge to the Helms-Burton bill, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

March 20, full committee, hearing on the Administration's Security Assistance Request for fiscal year 1998, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, March 18, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.J. Res. 62, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitation, 10:00 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

March 19, full committee, oversight hearing on the implementation of the Church Arson Prevention Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-155), 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 20, oversight hearing on Product Liability Reform, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 695, Security and Freedom Through Encryption (SAFE) Act, 9:30 a.m., Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on reforming juvenile justice in America and related legislative proposals, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, March 18, Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities, hearing on current implementation issues in the base realignment and closure process, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Military Procurement, hearing on the New Attack Submarine Program, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Military Readiness, hearing on depot-level maintenance issues, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 19, full committee, continued hearings on the Administration's fiscal year 1998 Department of Defense authorization, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 19, Merchant Marine Panel, hearing on fiscal year 1998 Maritime Administration authorization request and related matters, and the fiscal year 1998 Panama Canal Commission authorization request and related matters, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Military Procurement and Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, joint hearing on fiscal year 1998 Department of Defense authorization request—Ballistic Missile Defense, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 20, Morale Welfare and Recreational Panel, hearing on military resale system, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Military Procurement and Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, joint hearing on fiscal year 1998 Department of Defense authorization request—Information Warfare, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, March 18, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on Management of our Nation's forest and criteria for determining healthy forests, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 19, full committee, hearing on H.R. 856, United States-Puerto Rico Political Status Act, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 19, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 39, to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act, and H. Con. Res. 8, expressing the sense of Congress with respect of the significance of maintaining the health and stability of coral reef ecosystems, and to hold an oversight hearing on the budget request for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services for Fiscal Year 1998, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 20, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on Bureau of Land Management final rulemaking on bonding of hardrock mining operations: Why was there no meaningful public comment solicited?, 12:30 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 20, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 799, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Hells Canyon Wilderness in the States of Oregon and Idaho to exclude an established Forest Service road inadvertently included in the wilderness, and H.R. 838, to require adoption of a management plan for Hells Canyon National Recreation Area that allows appropriate use of motorized and nonmotorized river craft in the recreation area, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 20, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on Central Valley Project Operations and Administration Reform Process, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, March 18, to consider H.R. 1, Working Families Flexibility Act of 1997, and the Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 1998 for transmission to the Committee on the Budget, 1:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, March 18, Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on fiscal year 1998 Authorization of the United States Fire Administration, 10 a.m., 2325 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on fiscal year 1998 Budget Authorization Request: Department of Energy, Fossil Energy R&D, Clean Coal Technology Program, and Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, and H.R. 363, to amend section 2118 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to extend the Electric and Magnetic Fields Research and Public Information Dissemination Program, 1 p.m., 2325 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on fiscal year 1998 NASA Authorization: Mission to Planet Earth, 10 a.m., 2325 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on funding needs for the Technology Administration and the National Institutes of Standards and Technology, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on fiscal year 1998 Budget Authorization Request: Department of Energy, Nuclear Energy; Environment, Safety and Health; and Environmental Restoration and Waste Management (Non-Defense), 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, joint hearing on Year 2000: Implications for the Commercial Sector, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, March 18, Subcommittee on Railroads, hearing on ISTEA Rail Infrastructure Programs, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on the Administration's fiscal year 1998 budget request for the U.S. Coast Guard and the Federal Maritime Commission, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development, hearing on the consolidation of the FCC, 11:30 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on recent flooding in California, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on review of Coopers and Lybrand Independent Financial Assessment of the FAA, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, March 20, to consider the Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 1998 for transmission to the Committee on the Budget; and to mark up the following: a measure to allow revision of veterans benefits decisions based on clear and unmistakable error; and a measure to authorize VA's authority to enter into enhanced-use leases, 2:30 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, March 18, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1001, to extend the term of appointment of certain members of the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission and the Physician Payment Review Commission; and H.R. 1003, a bill to clarify Federal Law with respect to restricting the use of Federal funds in support of assisted suicide, 5 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on IRS Budget for fiscal year 1998 and the 1997 Tax Return Filing Season, 11 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on U.S. Trade Policy Objectives and Initiatives, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 19, full committee, to consider Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 1998 for transmission to the Committee on the Budget; and to mark up a measure to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the Customs Service, the Office of the United States Trade Representative, and the International Trade Commission, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 19, full committee, hearing on savings and investment provisions in the Administration's fiscal year 1998 budget proposal, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 19, Subcommittee on Human Resources, to mark up H.R. 1048, Welfare Reform Technical Corrections Act of 1997, 4 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on recommendations regarding Medicare Hospital and Physician Payment Policies, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 20, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on the Administration's Child support Enforcement Incentive Payment Proposal, 11 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, March 18, executive, hearing on the Budget-Technical Intelligence: Requirements, Collection, Processing and Exploitation, 10 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 19, executive, to receive a briefing on DEA Regarding Mexico, 12:30 p.m., and executive, to hold a hearing on the Budget—overhead collection, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: March 19, to hold hearings to examine the problems of the current automobile insurance system and how American motorists could benefit from reform of the industry, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn Building.

March 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the current economic outlook and monetary policy, 10 a.m., room to be announced.

Joint hearing: March 19, Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the legislative recommendations of the Disabled American Veterans, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Joint hearing: March 20, Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the legislative recommendations of AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Veterans of World War I, and the Vietnam Veterans of America, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: March 21, to hold a briefing on prospects for elections, reintegration, and democratization in Croatia, 11 a.m., 2200 Rayburn Building.